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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### CASE MANAGEMENT TRACK DESIGNATION FORM

:
MARILYN MULL :

LANDIS HOMES, LANDIS COMMUNITIES, SANDRA SMOKER, SUSAN PAUL AND GRACE ITWARU

v.

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CIVIL ACTION

In accordance with the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan of this court, counsel for plaintiff shall complete a Case Management Track Designation Form in all civil cases at the time of filing the complaint and serve a copy on all defendants. (See § 1:03 of the plan set forth on the reverse side of this form.) In the event that a defendant does not agree with the plaintiff regarding said designation, that defendant shall, with its first appearance, submit to the clerk of court and serve on the plaintiff and all other parties, a Case Management Track Designation Form specifying the track to which that defendant believes the case should be assigned.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

MARILYN MULL :

Plaintiff

: CIVIL ACTION NO:

v.

:

LANDIS HOMES, LANDIS COMMUNITIES, SANDRA SMOKER, SUSAN PAUL AND

GRACE ITWARU :

**Defendants** 

#### **COMPLAINT**

#### **JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

#### INTRODUCTION:

1. This action is brought by Marilyn Mull to redress her deprivation of rights under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), and under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA/ADAAA), and under the Family Medical Leave Act and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act (PHRA) and for claims of Defamation and claims for Invasion of Privacy. In support of these claims, Marilyn Mull alleges:

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE:**

- 2. Original jurisdiction founded on the existence of questions arising under particular statutes. The action arises under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Family Medical Leave Act.
- 3. Jurisdiction founded upon principals of pendent jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C §1367 that authorizes the court to supplemental jurisdiction over any claims against parties that are part of the same controversy as the claim that provides the basis for the court's original jurisdiction.

- 4. Defendant Landis Homes and Landis Communities are an employer with more than fifty employees
- . 5. The matter in controversy exceeds, exclusive of interests and costs, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.
- 6. The unlawful practices and harm complained of occurred in Lancaster County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania where defendant employers conducted business and Plaintiff performed services on behalf of the defendants. Venue therefore lies in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
- 7. Plaintiff complied with all the conditions precedent to the filing of this complaint. See attached Notice of Rights issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission at Exhibit A.

#### **PARTIES:**

- 8. Plaintiff Marilyn Mull is a citizen of Lancaster County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. At all times relevant, Plaintiff performed services for and on behalf of defendants at the location in Lititz, Pennsylvania, Lancaster County.
- 9. Defendant Landis Homes is a business and Pennsylvania Corporation that operates a full-service retirement community and related senior care.
- 10. On July 1, 2012, Landis Homes officially became an affiliate of Landis Communities. Landis Homes and Landis Communities are inter-related and shall herein be referred to as a "Defendant Landis".
- 11. At all times relevant, Defendant Landis acted by and through all management, staff, directors, officers, supervisors, clergy, employees and all other agents.

- 12. Defendant Sandra Smoker was the Director of Human Resources for Defendant Landis and she acted for Defendant Landis and/or individually on her own behalf.
- 13. Defendant Susan Paul was the Director of Nursing for Personal Care
  Housing. Defendant Paul supervised the Personal Care Houses where Plaintiff Marilyn
  Mull worked. Defendant Paul supervised Plaintiff and signed her performance
  evaluations. Defendant Paul acted for Defendant Landis and/or individually on her own
  behalf.
- 14. Defendant Grace Itwaru was the Nurse Supervisor in Personal Care.

  Plaintiff Mull reported to and was supervised by Defendant Itwaru. Defendant Itwaru acted for Defendant Landis and/or individually on her own behalf.

#### **CLAIMS:**

- 15. Plaintiff is over the age of forty years. On the Plaintiff's final date of employment, March 10, 2017, Plaintiff was sixty-six (66) years old.
- 16. Defendant Landis hired Plaintiff on or about July 2003 as the Certified Nursing Assistant for the residents in the Personal Care Homes. Plaintiff's job duties were to assist the residents with activities of daily living.
- 17. Subsequently, Plaintiff was trained and promoted to Med Tech/Facilitator with the additional duties of dispensing medication.
- 18. Plaintiff was a dedicated employee. She received exemplary performance evaluations.
- 19. Plaintiff's husband Richard Mull was a retired police chief for Ephrata Township, Pennsylvania. He was elderly and infirm.

- 20. Plaintiff was her husband's direct caretaker until he was admitted to a skilled nursing facility on or about March 2, 2016. Plaintiff visited her husband at the skilled nursing facility on a regular basis. Her husband passed on March 12, 2017.
- 21. Defendants were on notice and aware that Plaintiff was her husband's caretaker. Defendants granted Plaintiff intermittent Family Medical Leave in 2015 when she cared for her husband at home before he was admitted to a skilled nursing facility.
- 22. The caretaker duties for her husband, decline of her husband's health and his descent in the final days of his life caused Plaintiff great distress, upset, anxiety, frustration, exhaustion and depression for which Plaintiff received medical care and treatment.
- 23. Supervisors Defendant Paul and Defendant Itwaru were aware that Plaintiff's husband's health was declining. The defendants were aware and on notice of the impact and effect on Plaintiff's mental health and well-being. On or about March 2, 2017, approximately one week before Richard Mull's demise, the defendant supervisors brought Plaintiff into the office. The supervisors stated to Plaintiff that she was not herself and that they had received staff concerns about the plaintiff's behavior. Plaintiff was not provided any details or explanation. Plaintiff was intimidated and in fear of losing her job.
- 24. One week later, March 8, 2017, Defendant Director of Nursing Susan Paul called Plaintiff to her office. Defendant Supervisor Itwaru was likewise present along with Human Resources Director Sandra Smoker. Defendant Smoker instructed Plaintiff to sign a release and permission for a drug test. Plaintiff cooperated and signed the forms. Defendant Sandra Smoker stated to the plaintiff: "if the test results come

back negative, you may want to think about taking Family Medical Leave time off."

Defendant Smoker stated to the plaintiff that she would be getting a call from the defendants regarding the test results.

- 25. Director of Human Resources, Sandra Smoker, escorted Plaintiff to Worknet Occupational Medicine for Plaintiff to undergo a Controlled Substance Test. Plaintiff was escorted out of the building like a common criminal in plain sight of the staff and residents. She was not allowed to take her own car. She was told that someone else must come and retrieve her vehicle. Plaintiff was in shock with the course of events. She felt humiliated, embarrassed, and mortified.
- 26. Defendants did not call Plaintiff with the test results and did not return her telephone calls.
  - 27. The test results were in fact **NEGATIVE**, verified on March 9, 2017.
- 28. Defendants did not offer, grant, or provide entitled opportunity for Family Medical Leave not withstanding that the test results were negative as stated at the office meeting on March 8, 2017.
- 29. By correspondence from Defendant Sandra Smoker dated March 10, 2017, Defendants terminated Plaintiff's employment. The correspondence published false accusations that Plaintiff was "violent" and/or a "threat". The correspondence threatened the plaintiff with police action.
- 30. The plaintiff's husband, Richard Mull, passed two days later on March 12, 2017.
- 31. March 8, 2017, was the last day that plaintiff worked for Defendant Landis.

- 32. Plaintiff worked for Defendant Landis for fourteen (14) years. She was qualified and experienced to perform her job. She received exemplary performance evaluations.
- 33. Defendants did not issue the plaintiff any disciplinary action during her career at Landis Homes.
- 34. Defendants replaced the plaintiff with a significantly younger individual, twenty (20) years younger than the plaintiff.
- 35. Defendants wrongfully published false accusations that plaintiff was a "threat" or that inferred that plaintiff was violent or dangerous. The false accusations were published to staff and persons who had no right to know. The false statements deterred others from associating with the plaintiff. The false publications tarnished the plaintiff's reputation and good name.
- 36. Plaintiff was disabled suffering from exhaustion, mental and physical distress, depression and anxiety that impacted her major life activities for example concentration and social interaction.
- 37. In the alternative, Defendants regarded the plaintiff as mentally disabled and/or suffering from substance abuse/opioid addiction.
- 38. Defendants wrongfully published misstatements about plaintiff's private personnel matters and termination from employment to individuals that had no right to know. The summer of 2017, Plaintiff discovered that Defendant Grace Itwaru published the Plaintiff's private personnel matters to Plaintiff's sister who had no right to know.

- 39. The false accusations and wrongful termination caused Plaintiff great distress, humiliation, embarrassment, anguish and diminished Plaintiff's reputation and standing in the community.
- 40. Defendants subjected Plaintiff to adverse actions and hostility, denied Plaintiff equal conditions of employment, published false accusations that Plaintiff was dangerous, violated covenants of confidentiality, invaded Plaintiff's privacy and wrongfully discharged Plaintiff from employment because of her age and/or because of disability or inferred/perceived that Plaintiff was disabled and/or because Plaintiff associated with an individual that was disabled and retaliated against Plaintiff for engaging in protected activity.
- 41. Defendants failed to engage in the interactive process and failed to offer the plaintiff reasonable accommodation.
- 42. Defendants failed to comply with the employer's obligations under the Family Medical Leave Act and otherwise denied the plaintiff her rights and protections under the Family Medical Leave Act.
  - 43. Defendant violated Plaintiff's statutory rights and protections.
- 44. Defendants' asserted reasons for terminating Plaintiff were a pretext for discrimination.
- 45. Defendant Landis has a pattern and practice of disability and age discrimination.
  - 46. Defendants defamed Plaintiff and invaded her privacy.
- 47. Plaintiff timely filed administrative charges of discrimination against

  Defendant with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Pennsylvania

Human Relations Commission. Plaintiff exhausted her administrative remedies. See Notice of Rights attached Exhibit A.

48. Defendants caused Plaintiff to suffer harm and losses.

#### COUNT I

## MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES AND LANDIS COMMUNITIES AGE DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ACT

- 49. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 48 are incorporated by reference.
- 50. The conduct by Defendant Landis described above constitutes violations of The Age Discrimination in Employment Act.
- 51. The conduct by Defendant Landis described above was willful within the meaning of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendants Landis Homes and Landis Communities and the Court:

- (A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back-pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;
- (B) Award Plaintiff compensatory damages for distress, lost career, embarrassment, and humiliation;
  - (C) Award Plaintiff liquidated damages;
  - (D) Award Plaintiff costs of this action and reasonable attorney's fees;
- (E) Award Plaintiff all other relief to which Plaintiff may appear entitled or which the Court deems appropriate and just.

#### COUNT II

## MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES AND LANDIS COMMUNITIES AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AS AMENDED

- 52. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 51 are incorporated by reference.
- 53. The conduct by Defendant described above constitutes violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act as amended.
- 54. The conduct by Defendant described above was willful within the meaning of the Americans with Disabilities Act as amended.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendant and the Court:

- (A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;
- (B) Award Plaintiff compensatory damages for distress, lost career, embarrassment, and humiliation;
- (C) Award Plaintiff punitive damages;
- (D) Award Plaintiff costs of this action and reasonable attorney's fees;
- (E) Award Plaintiff all other relief to which Plaintiff may appear entitled or which the Court deems appropriate and just.

#### **COUNT III**

# MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES AND LANDIS COMMUNITIES <u>FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT</u>

- 55. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 54 are incorporated by reference.
- 56. The conduct by Defendant Landis described above constitutes violations of the Family Medical Leave Act.
- 57. The conduct by Defendant Landis described above was willful within the meaning of the Family Medical Leave Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendants Landis Homes and Landis Communities and the Court:

- (A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back-pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;
- (B) Award Plaintiff compensatory damages for distress, lost career, embarrassment, and humiliation;
  - (C) Award Plaintiff liquidated damages;
  - (D) Award Plaintiff costs of this action and reasonable attorney's fees;
- (E) Award Plaintiff all other relief to which Plaintiff may appear entitled or which the Court deems appropriate and just.

#### **COUNT IV**

# MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES, LANDIS COMMUNITIES, SANDRA SMOKER, SUSAN PAUL AND GRACE ITWARU PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS ACT

58. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 57 are incorporated by reference.

- 59. The conduct by Defendants described above constitutes violations of The Pennsylvania Human Relations Act.
- 60. The individual defendants aided and abetted discrimination in violation of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act.
- 61. The conduct by Defendants described above was willful within the meaning of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendants Landis Homes, Landis Communities, Sandra Smoker, Susan Paul and Grace Itwaru and the Court:

- (A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back-pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;
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#### **COUNT V**

# MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES, LANDIS COMMUNITIES, SANDRA SMOKER, SUSAN PAUL AND GRACE ITWARU

#### **DEFAMATION**

62. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 61 are incorporated by reference.

- 63. The named defendants, individually and collectively, published false and damaging statements that Plaintiff was threatening, violent, dangerous, and abusive of controlled substances/opioid addiction.
- 64. Defendants relied on the falsehoods as reason for terminating Plaintiff from employment.
  - 65. The published statements are false.
- 66. The publication of false and misleading statements caused Plaintiff to suffer economic damages and harm including but not limited to loss of employment, loss of reputation, embarrassment, loss of career, humiliation, distress and anxiety.
- 67. Defendants recklessly and maliciously published misstatements regarding Plaintiff in total disregard to the truth.
- 68. Defendants were not privileged to publish the misstatements, or if any privilege existed, Defendants abused the privilege.
- 69. Defendants published the statements to persons who had no right to know including staff of Defendant Landis and members of the community including Plaintiff's sister.
  - 70. Defendants are liable to Plaintiff for defamation.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendants Landis Homes, Landis Communities, Sandra Smoker, Susan Paul and Grace Itwaru and the Court:

(A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back-pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;

- (B) Award Plaintiff compensatory damages for distress, lost career, embarrassment, and humiliation;
  - (C) Award Plaintiff punitive damages;
  - (D) Award Plaintiff costs of this action and reasonable attorney's fees;
- (E) Award Plaintiff all other relief to which Plaintiff may appear entitled or which the Court deems appropriate and just.

#### **COUNT VI**

# MARILYN MULL V LANDIS HOMES, LANDIS COMMUNITIES, SANDRA SMOKER, SUSAN PAUL AND GRACE ITWARU

#### **INVASION OF PRIVACY**

- 71. The allegations of paragraphs 1 thru 70 are incorporated by reference.
- 72. The named defendants, individually and collectively, published statements regarding the plaintiff's private health and personnel matters to persons who had no right to know and were not privileged to know.
- 73. Defendants wrongfully invaded Plaintiff's privacy and caused Plaintiff to suffer economic damages and harm including but not limited to loss of employment, loss of reputation, embarrassment, loss of career, humiliation, distress and anxiety.
  - 74. Defendants acted recklessly and maliciously.
- 75. Defendants were not privileged to invade Plaintiff's privacy, or if any privilege existed, Defendants abused the privilege.
  - 76. Defendants are liable to Plaintiff for claims of invasion of privacy.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter judgment in her favor and against Defendants Landis Homes, Landis Communities, Sandra Smoker, Susan Paul and Grace Itwaru and the Court:

- (A) Award Plaintiff actual damages for loss of revenue, including back-pay, differential pay, future earnings and lost benefits with interest;
- (B) Award Plaintiff compensatory damages for distress, lost career, embarrassment, and humiliation;
  - (C) Award Plaintiff punitive damages;
  - (D) Award Plaintiff costs of this action and reasonable attorney's fees;
- (E) Award Plaintiff all other relief to which Plaintiff may appear entitled or which the Court deems appropriate and just.

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**EXHIBIT A** 

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